

# Order of Worship

## INTROIT: 'Ancient Words' - Saxthorpe Choristers

1. Holy words long preserved for our walk in this world, They resound with God's own heart Oh, let the Ancient words impart.
3. Holy words of our Faith Handed down to this age. Came to us through sacrifice Oh heed the faithful words of Christ.

2. Words of Life, words of Hope Give us strength, help us cope In this world, where e'er we roam Ancient words will guide us Home.
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## CALL TO WORSHIP/INVOCATION

- L: Come all who are weary and all who are weak. Come all who's cries for justice and who's cries for relief have gone unheard. Come for your Heavenly Father is just and kind. Your Heavenly Father is all together righteous and will not delay long in helping you.
- P: **God we come, help us not to lose heart and to place our confidence in You.**

## OPENING HYMN: 'Great is thy Faithfulness' [# 22a VIP]

1. Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father, There is no shadow of turning with thee; Thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not; As thou hast been thou for ever wilt be:
- Refrain:**  
**Great is thy faithfulness!**  
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**Morning by morning new mercies I see;**  
**All I have needed thy hand has provided.**  
**Great is thy faithfulness,**  
**Lord, unto me.**

2. Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest, Sun, moon and stars in their courses above, Join with all nature in manifold witness To thy great faithfulness, mercy and love:
3. Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, Thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide; Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

**Thomas O. Chisholm**  
**(1866-1960)**

## PRAYER OF ADORATION

- L: Jesus, we adore You. We fall to our knees, in awe of Your greatness. We are lingering in Your presence, bathing in Your light and resting in Your love.

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

- L: O Holy One, we call to you and name you as eternal, ever-present, and boundless in love. Yet there are times, O God, when we fail to recognize you our daily lives. Sometimes shame clenches tightly around our hearts, and we hide our true feelings. Sometimes fear makes us small, and we miss the chance to speak from our strength. Sometimes doubt invades our hopefulness, and we degrade our own wisdom.

Holy God, in the daily round from sunrise to sunset, remind us again of your holy presence hovering near us and in us. Free us from shame and self-doubt. Help us to see you in the moment-by-moment possibilities to live honestly, to act courageously, and to speak from our wisdom.

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

- L: Father, thank You for the testimony of Your faithfulness and goodness that we have in the cross of Christ. Thank You for Your loyal love and compassion that stocks our cupboards with everything we need to live a life that pleases and serves You. Thank you for forgiving us for the ways we have knowingly or unknowingly rebelled against Your truth. Resurrect the grand visions for our individual lives that You have crafted just for us. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

## PRAISE IN WORSHIP - 'FullJoy' (Members of the Saxthorpe Praise Team)

- Sis. Winsome Exell
- Sis. Judy-Marie Campbell

## CHILDREN/YOUTH WORD

## HYMN - Trust and Obey [# 278a VIP]

1. When we walk with the Lord In the light of his word, What a glory he sheds on our way! While we do his good will, He abides with us still, And with all who will trust and obey:
3. Not a burden we bear, Not a sorrow we share, But our toil he doth richly repay; Not a grief nor a loss, Not a frown nor a cross, But is blest if we trust and obey:
4. But we never can prove The delights of his love Until all on the altar we lay; For the favour he shows, And the joy he bestows, Are for them who will trust and obey:

**Refrain:**  
**Trust and obey,**  
**for there's no other way**  
**To be happy in Jesus,**  
**But to trust and obey.**

2. Not a shadow can rise, Not a cloud in the skies, But his smile quickly drives it away; Not a doubt nor a fear, Not a sigh nor a tear, Can abide while we trust and obey:
5. Then in fellowship sweet We will sit at his feet, Or we'll walk by his side in the way; What he says we will do, Where he sends we will go— Never fear, only trust and obey:  
**John H. Sammis (1846-1919)**

## MINISTRY OF THE WORD

### COLLECT:

**ALL: Father of light, in whom is no change or shadow of turning, you give us every good and perfect gift and have brought us to birth by your word of truth: may we be a living sign of that kingdom where your whole creation will be made perfect in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### OLD TESTAMENT: Jeremiah 31:27-34 - Sis. Marie Miller

### RESPONSIVE READING – Psalm 19

Led by: **Sis. Melrose Davies**

- L: <sup>1</sup>The heavens are telling the glory of God, and the firmament<sup>[a]</sup> proclaims his handiwork.
- R: <sup>2</sup>**Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night declares knowledge.**
- L: <sup>3</sup>There is no speech, nor are there words; their voice is not heard;
- R: <sup>4</sup>**yet their voice<sup>[b]</sup> goes out through all the earth and their words to the end of the world. In the heavens<sup>[c]</sup> he has set a tent for the sun,**

L: <sup>5</sup> which comes out like a bridegroom from his wedding canopy,  
and like a strong man runs its course with joy.

R: <sup>6</sup> **Its rising is from the end of the heavens  
and its circuit to the end of them,  
and nothing is hid from its heat.**

L: <sup>7</sup> The law of the LORD is perfect,  
reviving the soul; the decrees of the LORD are sure,  
making wise the simple;

R: <sup>8</sup> **the precepts of the LORD are right,  
rejoicing the heart;  
the commandment of the LORD is clear,  
enlightening the eyes;**

L: <sup>9</sup> the fear of the LORD is pure,  
enduring forever; the ordinances of the LORD are true  
and righteous altogether.

R: <sup>10</sup> **More to be desired are they than gold,  
even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey  
and drippings of the honeycomb.**

L: <sup>11</sup> Moreover, by them is your servant warned;  
in keeping them there is great reward.

R: <sup>12</sup> **But who can detect one's own errors?  
Clear me from hidden faults.**

L: <sup>13</sup> Keep back your servant also from the insolent;<sup>[a]</sup>  
do not let them have dominion over me.  
Then I shall be blameless and innocent of great  
transgression.

R: <sup>14</sup> **Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of  
my heart be acceptable to you,  
O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.**

#### THE GLORIA

**EPISTLE: 2 Timothy 3:14 – 4:5 - Sis. Valerie Hinds**

**HYMN OF PREPARATION: 'Come Thou Fount...Every Blessing' [# 236 VIP]**

<p>1. Come, thou fount of every blessing, Tune my heart to sing thy grace; Streams of mercy never ceasing Call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious measure Sung by flaming tongues above; O the vast, the boundless treasure Of my Lord's unchanging love!</p>	<p>2. Here I find my greatest treasure: 'Hither by thy help I've come,' And I hope, by thy good pleasure, Safely to arrive at home. Jesus sought me when a stranger, Wandering from the fold of God; He, to rescue me from danger, Interposed his precious blood.</p>
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3. O to grace how great a debtor  
Daily I'm constrained to be!  
Let that grace, Lord, like a fetter,  
Bind my wandering heart to thee.  
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,  
Prone to leave the God I love;  
Take my heart, O take and seal it,  
Seal it from thy courts above!

**Robert Robinson  
(1735—1790) alt.**

**GOSPEL: Luke 18:1-8**

**- Sis. Keisha Mitchell**  
*(Member, Western St. Andrew Circuit, Youth Commission)*

**SERMON:**

**- Rev'd Halton Hill**  
*(Minister, Western St. Andrew Circuit)*

- ❖ **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE**
- ❖ **TITHES/OFFERTORY**
- ❖ **BLESSING OF TITHES AND OFFERING**

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**CLOSING HYMN: 'O Jesus, I have promised' [# 272 VIP]**

<p>1. O Jesus, I have promised To serve Thee to the end; Be Thou forever near me, My Master and my Friend; I shall not fear the battle If Thou art by my side, Nor wander from the pathway If Thou wilt be my Guide.</p>	<p>3. Oh, let me hear Thee speaking, In accents clear and still, Above the storms of passion, The murmurs of self-will; Oh, speak to reassure me, To hasten, or control; Oh, speak, and make me listen, Thou Guardian of my soul.</p>
<p>2. Oh, let me feel Thee near me; The world is ever near; I see the sights that dazzle, The tempting sounds I hear; My foes are ever near me, Around me and within; But, Jesus, draw Thou nearer, And shield my soul from sin.</p>	<p>4. O Jesus, Thou hast promised To all who follow Thee That where Thou art in glory There shall Thy servant be; And Jesus, I have promised To serve Thee to the end; Oh, give me grace to follow, My Master and my Friend.</p>

*John E. Bode (1816—1874)*

**BENEDICTION**

## Methodist Church in the Caribbean and the Americas (MCCA) JAMAICA DISTRICT

**DISTRICT THEME:**

*“Spreading Scriptural Holiness to Reform the Nation...  
Beginning with Me”*

*Sub Theme*

*“Building a Resilient People: Church,  
Community and Nation”*

**METHODIST VOICES IN WORD AND SONG  
TELEVISION MINISTRY**



19<sup>th</sup> Lord's Day after Pentecost  
**Sunday, October 16, 2022**

### DIVINE WORSHIP

**OFFICIATING CLERGY:**

**Preacher:** **Rev'd Halton Hill**  
*(Minister, Western St. Andrew Circuit)*

**Liturgist:** **Sis. Keisha Mitchell**  
*(Member, Western St. Andrew Circuit, Youth Commission)*

**Organist:** **Sis. Melrose Davies**

**Choristers:**

<b>Sis. Yvonne Brown</b>	<b>Sis. Marie Miller</b>
<b>Sis. Lucette Cargill</b>	<b>Sis. Yvonne Patterson</b>
<b>Sis. Valerie Hinds</b>	<b>Bro. Nigel Haye</b>

**Praise Team:** **'FullJoy'** *(Members of the Saxthorpe Praise Team)*

**District Bishop:** Rev'd Christine Gooden- Benguche  
**District Conference Secretary:** Rev'd Dr. Wayneford McFarlane

*A warm welcome to all worshippers!*